SUBJECT No. 109.

Grant of honne and other reserved trees for agricultural implements.

Mr. Bhavani Rao, Shikarpur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As it is found that unreserved trees available in district jungles are useless for making agricultural implements, orders are solicited for the free grant of honne and other reserved wood for the purpose.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao states that there are several kinds of equally good wood for making agricultural implements and it is only for the cross piece, which comes directly into contact with the ground, and is likely to become rotten, that honne may be necessary.

Reply of Government.—Tne free grant of honne cannot be allowed. As it is represented that suitable unreserved trees cannot be found in the Shikarpur Taluk for agricultural implements, the Deputy Commissioner and the Conservator of Forests will report whether concessions may be allowed with regard to any other kind of reserved trees.

SUBJECT No. 110.

Revision of the list of classified trees.

Mr. M. Lakshminaranappa, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—No agricultural implements can be made out of the trees left for the use of raiyats. It is therefore requested that the following kinds may be excluded from the list of the classified trees:—

Dindaga, Banni, Kaggali, Bilijali, Gobbali, Tadasala, Godda, Gumchi, etc.

Reply of Government.—The classified list published under Government Proceedings No. 628-9—6760-7, dated 4th May 1903, was issued tentatively for two years. If it requires revision, the Deputy Commissioner is competent to propose it. The matter may therefore be represented to him by the member concerned.

SUBJECT No. 111.

Compensation on account of damage done to forests by manganese mining and quarrying.

Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, B.A., LL.B., Shimoga Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The mining operations in the Shimoga District have caused permanent injury to our rich forests. Will the Government be pleased to state what compensation is collected from the Manganese Companies and what compensation is claimed by the Forest Department.

Reply of Government.—The question of the amount of compensation to be levied for the removal of forest trees and the possible damage to their future growth by mining operations is under the consideration of Government.

SUBJECT No. 112.

Free grazing in Amrut Mahal kavals.

Mr. Nanje Gowda, Krishnarajpete Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As much gomal land has been taken up for cultivation, village cattle have not enough fodder. It is prayed that Amrut Mahal kavals may be thrown open for grazing village cattle after the Amrut Mahal cattle have finished grazing thereon, without levying any fee as at present.